

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Robert J. Gobrick" <rgobrick@nfld.com>
Subject: [4553] 1997 FDIM QRP Symposium
Message-ID: <2.2.32.19961116183844.00901220@nfld.com>

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"Four Days In May =A9" QRP Symposium - The Amateur Radio QRP Event of 1997

QRP Amateur Radio Club, International (QRP-ARCI) proudly announces the second annual "Four Days In May =A9" QRP Symposium to be held on Thursday, May 15 1997 - the first day of four festive days of 1997 Dayton Hamvention =A9

QRP activities. Mark your calendar for this extra bonus day and register early for this not-to-be-missed QRP event of the year.

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Amateur radio QRP presentations, workshops and demonstrations will be the focus of the full day Thursday activities to be held at the Days Inn Dayton South (513-847-8422). Last year, this sold-out event was a "standing room only" crowd of 100 enthusiastic pre-registered attendees. For 1997, the FDIM QRP Symposium will be moved to the hotel's larger ballroom facility so make your reservations early before it=92s sold out again. FDIM QRP=

Symposium

attendees will start their day with a wake-up coffee social and then plunge into a morning of multimedia QRP presentations by renowned QRP authors and designers. At midday, attendees are treated to a catered lunch and QRP door prizes. Then it is back to an afternoon of more exciting QRP technical presentations. Culminating this first day, will be an evening of guest QRP tutorials sponsored by regional QRP clubs. The 1997 "Four Days In May" QRP Symposium will be the talk of the 1997 Dayton Hamvention =A9.

The "Four Days in May" QRP extravaganza continues with the annual Friday night QRP-ARCI Awards Banquet honoring QRP dignitaries for their service to the amateur radio community. Following the Awards Banquet, a special evening has been set aside for the FDIM QRP Vendor Social where prizes will be drawn. Saturday will also be special this year with an evening for QRPers to meet the many regional North American and International QRP Clubs - bring your banners! QRP Club awards will be presented to those who submit their =93pride and joy=94 QRP construction projects for judging.

=93Four Days In May =A9=94 QRP Symposium: Frequently Asked Questions:

- QRP SYMPOSIUM PRESENTERS - Please submit your QRP technical manuscripts to FDIM Technical Paper Chairperson Bruce Muscolino W6TOY/3 at PO Box 9333, Silver Spring, MD 20916-9333 or Email: w6toy@erols.com Presenter=92s= papers

will be bound in the 1997 FDIM QRP Symposium Proceedings. All attendees receive the Proceedings.

- FDIM QRP SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION FEE - Registration for the Thursday, May 15, 1997 FDIM QRP Symposium will be \$30 if prepaid by May 1, 1997 and \$35 after that date or at the door. =93At the door=94 registration may be limited if, once again, we sell out. Please register early to guarantee a seat. Registration will cover a full day of QRP Symposium activities, which include the QRP technical presentations, the 1997 FDIM QRP Symposium Proceedings, the scrumptious QRP luncheon, those famous "special" Symposium bag stuffers and finally an endless QRO coffee pot.

Please send your \$30 registration fee (US check, money order, international money order) made out to "BOB FOLLETT" by May 1, 1997 to: Bob Follett AB7ST, FDIM Registration Chairperson at 2861 Estates Dr, Park City, UT 84060 or E-mail: bfollett@ditell.com=20

- QRP-ARCI AWARDS BANQUET - This not-to-be-missed Friday May 16, 1997 event is once again being hosted by FDIM Banquet Chairperson - Pete Meier WK8S. Please send your \$15 banquet ticket fee (US check, money order, international money order) made out to "PETE MEIER" by May 1, 1997 to: Pete Meier WK8S at 4181 Rural, Waterford, MI 48329 or Email: pmeier@tir.com

- FDIM QRP VENDOR SOCIAL - A tradition was started at FDIM 1996 - a special evening was established to officially introduce our QRP Vendors from around the world. All are invited to attend this wonderful Friday, May 16, 1997 evening social. Preston Douglas, WJ2V will once again be our gracious host. QRP Vendors - for registration information please contact Preston Douglas WJ2V, QRP Vendor Evening Chairperson, at 216 Harbor View N, Lawrence, NY 11559 or via Email: Pdouglas12@aol.com

On behalf of the FDIM team we invite you all to join us for the QRP Event of 1997 - the "Four Days In May =A9" QRP Symposium at the 1997 Dayton= Hamvention.

See you all there. Bob Gobrick VO1DRB/WA6ERB FDIM Publicity Chairperson (email 70466.1405@compuserve.com).

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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Bob Kellogg <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>

Subject: [4557] 40-9er Contest Rulings
Message-ID: <199611161948.OAA06661@mh004.infi.net>

Gang,

The Contest summaries are rolling in. - and yes, you can submit them by email. Even if you just made a few contacts, let me know about them!

Note: If you were running a 40-9er and made contact with a QRO station you may count that as 4 points. Also, when figuring the multiplier, the same state worked three nights just counts once.

Feel free so send your soapbox comments along, too.

I've had a great time as observing the goings on each evening. This was a very challenging contest, and high scores are not expected. But, judging from the comments to the group, there were plenty of pleasant surprises, as well as some frustrations.

Friday night I responded to Jim, KJ5TF, at least a half a dozen times with my full 5 watts, and he never heard me. Also heard Bob, W03B, 559 with his 200mw, but never could get the offset right for him either. Also heard a MA station working 40-9ers, but didn't get his call.

BTW, Bill Jones, KD7S, turned in a nice score and was using the "Collins" 40-9er that won the Dayton building contest. It's not only purty, but it works, too!!

CUL,
Bob Kellogg, AE4IC
Prolably, but not nececelery. - Benny Hill

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: WJ4PRandy@aol.com
Subject: [4546] 49er: My "AE4IC Struggle" log...
Message-ID: <961116110338_1116527602@emout06.mail.aol.com>

Hi gang,
Here are the facts from my attempt at the
"AE4IC Struggle" otherwise known as the
40-9er Contest...

Rig: 40-9er averaging about 1W using 13.8vDC
Ant: Gap Vertical, or End-fed wire.
Location: Near Charleston, SC

40-9er to 40-9er Contacts - 5 x 6(points) = 30 points
40-9er to QRP Contacts - 24 x 4(points) = 96

29 Qso's 126 base points.

73, Randy WJ4P

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Dan Keen <70731.722@CompuServe.COM>
Subject: [4566] Adventure Radio maps
Message-ID: <961117033903_70731.722_EHM88-1@CompuServe.COM>

Lots of discussion here in the past about web sites for maps which give lat/lon and so forth. Trouble is on my computer WWW redraws take about 20 seconds and maps are of poor detail compared to the home computer CDROM disk programs.

Just bought this product today:

The DeLorme Street Atlas USA 3.0 costs 40 bucks minus 20 buck rebate (expires Dec15) from PC Connections 1-800-800-5555 catalogue number 23442. That's 20 bucks net.

Lat Lon numbers appear and change automatically as you move mouse around map. Lat Lon lines formed into grids can be placed on top of map, forming grid squares. Map redraws with every detail turned on take about 1.5 second on my 486 computer. You can save any map in a computer file. You can add symbols, text, or textnotes anywhere on the map to customize it. Oh I don't know maybe for instance you can note which camping site number you remember from last adventure trip, or mark watering holes for bicycling stops. Could customize a map and send it e-mail to a friend who had the program on his computer.

Even the tiniest streets one block long which nobody knew the name of in my home town are shown and named on the map when zoomed in to greatest detail. Product seemed like a handy tool twenty dollar tool for planning adventure radio trips.

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Mike Boice <kd0fx@worldnet.att.net>
Subject: [4535] Be aware in building - Sierra experience
Message-ID: <1.5.4.32.19961116070759.006707bc@postoffice.worldnet.att.net>

Just a little reminder to all those gazillions of homebrewers and kit

builders out there. This is just common sense, but it can also be pretty sneaky: Be aware while you're building things. This latest slap in the face happened to me while aligning my new Sierra over the past couple days. Several of the steps require the use of an RF probe to measure voltage while tweaking or otherwise adjusting something else. I've been using my HB probe, and thought it was working fine. When it came down to doing the transmitter adjustments, it seemed that I wasn't getting any power out to the antenna. Last night and several hours today were spent trying to locate the black hole into which the RF was falling into. Needless to say, all this thinking seriously tasked my brain. Three calls to Jerry (at least I think it was him - never asked his name) at Wilderness Radio kept me tracking and tracing all about the circuit, finding all sorts of "erroneous" readings with my probe. Now, all regular DC measurements (which the Sierra manual does an excellent job of listing) were right on the money. Finally, Jerry & I came to the conclusion (OK, he realized it first) - my probe wasn't reliable. I was getting good signals in some places, and bad reading in others which contradicted the good readings. Luckily, many parts of the alignment can also be done by listening to it on another rx and adjusting for highest received S-meter readings. Did it this way, and lo and behold - 2.55 watts out to the dummy load! I actually got to back down the driver a bit. Jerry had done his part like a champ, considering all the bad information I was giving him.

So, as I said before, it's all common sense - if something isn't right, check everything: the circuit itself, parts, test equipment, and most especially, the operator.

Guten nacht es gud building,

mike KD0FX
Richland WA

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Roy Boggs <rboggs@pcc-uky.campus.mci.net>
Subject: [4570] Celebrity list
Message-ID: <2.2.32.19961117045354.00678fc4@pcc-uky.campus.mci.net>

Gang,

Many of you work diligently to get the prestigious WAS, DXCC, and Worked All Foxes awards, but my own pursuit has been to Work All Celebrities of the QRP-L list!! I finally nabbed Chuck, K5FO a couple of days ago on 40M (tuff from KY); caught Bob White W3OB 'Freezing His Butt Off' while perfecting mods on his SLV; tortured Paul Stroud (his great AA4XX call - Rob Capon made him famous in QST) with 20mW on the KL net; got an RST from Danny Gingell

K3TS with the same pwr; and caught Hank Kohl on vacation in the Bahamas. Now....L.B. Cebik....so close that it's gonna be tuff (in Knoxville..just down the road), I gotta work on...he's next.., and Zack Lau had better check into the KL net this Sunday with his milliwatts, so he's on the hit list as well. Already got "Mr. Altoids" Valko, WB8ZJL (he and Zack have new wierd calls) :-).

So the pursuit goes on. I am willing to bribe if necessary because my list of 'catches' is pretty short. Poor boy here needs some help. Dave Benson NN1G...I BOUGHT one of your rigs (hint).

72, Roy Boggs KE4KDT Only QRP OP in 'Eastern KY'....but also the home of...

The Judds Billy Ray Cyrus Ricky Scaggs Keith Whitley Loretta Lynn Crystal Gayle Dwight Yoakum Gary Stewart and....

1996 CMA Entertainer of the Year...KD4WUJ, Patty Loveless!!

All of us tucked here on U.S. 23..."Music Highway"

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: lve1@inel.gov (Larry V East)
Subject: [4555] CW and Music
Message-ID: <2.2.16.19961116184517.18e7898c@eloi>

I have a "new wave" CD (maybe Spyro Grra?) with a tune that has the recurring theme "dit dit dit dit dit dit dit dit dit dah" through it -- I swear on a stack of QSTs!! :-) :-)

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: RICHARD FRANK <kf9hc@starcourier.com>
Subject: [4531] Exchange e-mail
Message-ID: <328D6CE0.5FAA@starcourier.com>

I would be interested in exchanging e-mail with someone in England or another European country. My interests are my family, church, work, tent camping, motorcycle touring, aviation, and of course ham radio - especially QRP.

Thanks,
Richard Frank
Neponset, Illinois
USA

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Dan Reynolds" <bcdlr@midwest.net>
Subject: [4569] Foxhunt N/T Nov. 19 - Tuesday (local time)
Message-ID: <199611170435.WAA17658@cdale3.midwest.net>

Foxhunt N/T Tuesday November 19 "Local Time"
KB9JLO Decatur, IL 0100-0300UTC

I will be on this Tuesday evening as the N/T Fox. I'll start out at 7.112 or so, if that doesn't work will swing down to 7.108 and come back up. Please come out and look for me.
Rig is Kenwood TS830S turned down to 5 watts. Antenna is 100' of inverted vee fed with TV twinlead to a balanced tuner. Time will be 0100-0300UTC.
UTC Date -- November 20 KB9JLO Dan IL 0100-0300UTC

Mark your calendar -- Tuesday evening, "Local Time"
0100-0300UTC (Nov. 20 Wed) 7.112 KB9JLO qrp-1 #293

Dan Reynolds - Technology Coordinator
Lutheran School Association of Decatur, IL
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web: <http://www.midwest.net/orgs/lisa/>
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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Frank G3YCC" <g3ycc@enterprise.net>
Subject: [4539] Help - mini key
Message-ID: <199611161059.KAA06468@mail.enterprise.net>

Can some kind person help me to obtain a Whiterook mini pump key?
Rather than send dollars which is a bit awkward and I don not want to order via the net, it would help if I could refund the cost in Stirling.

Thanks

72/3

Frank G3YCC GQRP 042

QRP Web pages: <http://homepages.enterprise.net/g3ycc/>

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Lau, Zack, W1VT" <zlau@arrl.org>
Subject: [4556] High Q tuner inductor
Message-ID: <m0v0qBv-000fFcC@mgate.arrl.org>

While tweaking up my 75 meter antenna for the upcoming SS, I decided to improve my tuner's efficiency. A T-130-6 iron powder toroid with 12 turns of number 18 wire has a lot higher Q than a roller inductor. To get precision adjustment, the turns can be squeezed together or spread apart with only a small variation in Q. More details if I find the time--Zack Lau W1VT

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Bob O'Connell" <reo@azstarnet.com>
Subject: [4542] Looking for a speaker.
Message-ID: <Pine.GS0.3.95.961116071507.16248A-100000@web.azstarnet.com>

Hello qrp'ers,

As president of the Radio Society of Tucson (RST) I would like to extend an invitation to anyone that is in the Tucson area on the first of the month to come by and visit. If you will let us know ahead of time and be willing to do a presentation on the fun of qrp the club would really appreciate it.

Later and 73's,
or I should say 72's,
Bob KC5DWB/7

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/ Bob O'Connell / If hook, slice, and dribble /  
/email reo@azstarnet.com / are considered, yes I play golf./  
/-----/  
/Amateur Radio KC5DWB / LINUX /  
/Twisted pair (520) 299-7980 /The choice of the GNU generation /  
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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: RobCap@aol.com
Subject: [4565] Need Help: Heath Transistor Equivalent
Message-ID: <961116214111_1949928239@emout01.mail.aol.com>

Hi Folks-

Am troubleshooting a Heath HW-8, and need help cross referencing a transistor. The part is Q13, described as "X29A829". It's function is the "Relay Driver". Heath part number is 417-201.

Can anyone suggest a modern replacement? Please reply directly to "Robcap@aol.com".

Thanks & 73,

Rob, W3DX
a.k.a. WA3ULH

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: AlexQRP@aol.com
Subject: [4560] OK I'm a Pole-lock
Message-ID: <961116163413_227479484@emout06.mail.aol.com>

Where do I send my \$30 for a qrp-l vanity number ? I want .99(point 99) thats before any qrp-l numbers. Hey fellas, I'm not Polish for the fun of it, got to be it 100% or not at all.

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Dan Keen <70731.722@CompuServe.COM>
Subject: [4534] qrp-l number ?
Message-ID: <961116065254_70731.722_EHM66-1@CompuServe.COM>

Hey howsa 'bout if we pay \$30.00 bucks we could get a QRP-L vanity number?

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: adams@chuck.dallas.sgi.com (chuck adams)
Subject: [4550] QRP-L Vanity Numbers
Message-ID: <199611161758.RAA00596@chuck.dallas.sgi.com>

OK gang,

Let me stop the rumors right now, this very minute.

QRP-L numbers are not for sale at any price. We give them away.
One per customer. We have enough to give one to every man, woman,

and child on this planet and several others. Hey, we could replace Social Security Numbers and Passport numbers. :-)

Once you get yours you got it forever. It will never go back into the available pool of numbers. If you change email addresses, change calls, change jobs, change QTH, change you clothes, change your mind, you still got it. If you quit qrp-l, you still got it. We know you are coming back.

So just save your money and buy another kit. You did buy at least one didn't you. Oh, I see. You were going to buy a 40-9er but you waited too long. You were waiting on the group buy. You were waiting on the blue light special deal of the month for the Internet. Sorry you missed it.

So for \$30 you'll be able to get the new 38-special from NorCal and by next May you'll be ready for the TMPS round #3. You may even have the SLT all tuned up for 30m by then. Hey, there'll be several snow storms by then for you to go out and work on getting the antenna just right. (For the newbies this is an insider joke on a discussion over the past years about how working on antennas in inclement weather is the only way to get them to work right. :-))

I'm personally not into numerology, but I'll give you pi to 40 places if you ask me in person. No operators standing by to take your orders either.

NorCal #40 NORTEX #2 Nortex #1 QRP ARCI #3471 AND 6285
CQC #44 Ten-Ten \$503.20 :-) GQRP 7197 ARS #135 NE #222

and the most famous of them all QRP-L #1 and a multitude of others. I can join clubs with the best of them. ;-)

Numbers, collect them all. How many foxes have you caught lately? Been too long hasn't it? :-)

Listen later in the day for the K5FO beacon on 30m. 950mW of pure CW. Clean keying. I'll be handing out numbers. Collect one at no charge. ;-) Around 10.116MHz +/- QRM 2330UTC and after.

And a personal note on the Vanity Call suits. The only winners are the lawyers. IMHO. The FCC can not cancel all the callsigns issued and start over. It's done. Kinda reminds of the new movie coming for the holiday season with Arnold S. about not getting the last toy doll in the store. It is now going to cost all of us more to ship stuff as if it wasn't costing enough now. OK, I'm going to work some morse stuff. R&R.

dit dit

SIG

Chuck Adams (K5FO CP-60) WAS 40m/30m/20m=49/49/50

EMPS QS0s=109 STATES(w/c)=34/2 DX=0

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996

From: GREGOIRE@ENDOR.COM (ERNEST GREGOIRE)

Subject: [4559] RTTY QRP

Message-ID: <199611162056.PAA205483@nss2.CC.Lehigh.EDU>

Oh yeah!

BTH , I did some RTTY QRP today too. I sure do like my
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de AA1IK

Ernie

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996

From: Marshall Emm <75230.1405@CompuServe.COM>

Subject: [4564] Saturday Fox

Message-ID: <961117010815_75230.1405_HHB42-1@CompuServe.COM>

After the CQC meeting today a bunch of us QSY'd to a local barbeque joint for lunch. We'd eaten, said most of what we'd had to say, and I'd packed up the rib bones for Samson the QRP Dog when I decided to step outside for a breath of air.

There, skulking along the side of the restaurant, was a big old fat yeller fox. Thought it was one of them goofy looking foreign dogs at first, but then he took off up the hill and there was no question about it.

There was also no question that if I'd had a "rig," I could have "worked" him.

Probably just some sort of omen for us CO QRPeople.

73/72

Marshall

AA0XI /VK5FN

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: wa5whn@juno.com (Jay D Miller)
Subject: [4563] Socorro, New Mexico Hamfest (Reminder)
Message-ID: <19961116.164206.4391.3.wa5whn@juno.com>

Just a reminder;

Point Your' Web Browser's to the following URL;

<http://hawk.nmt.edu/bateman/sara.html>

Click on the Hamfest Pointer.

Socorro, NM Hamfest, on Nov. 23, 1996 from 0900 - 1700 MST, in the NM Tech Gym.

Talk-in: 146.68 Mhz (-), no pl. A QRP Forum, will be given by the famous NA5N, well, around here, he is infamous, but we won't delve into that at this time. ;-) QRP test set up, and a QRP (Emtech) Grand prize. The QRO types have their usual swap tables & forums too ;-)

For those of You, who have GPS receivers, the following Lat. & Long. is where the NM Tech Gym is, within 50 feet. Map provided in the URL specified above.

Lat: 34 degrees 03 minutes 55.6 seconds North
Long. 106 degrees 54 minutes 19.2 seconds West

Or, contact Dave, KB5YIW, djohnson@nmt.edu, if You have any questions.

Many non-ham attractions to see too. Socorro (pronounced So-core-row, not Sock-ker-row)) is a 1 hour drive, south of Albuquerque, on I-25 @ 75 mph (speed limit).

Free admission, Tables are \$5.00/each, contact Dave, KB5YIW for more details (not me).

See You there... 72 de WA5WHN Grid

Square: DM65qd AR

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: GREGOIRE@ENDOR.COM (ERNEST GREGOIRE)
Subject: [4558] SSB QRP ON 80 meters,Yess
Message-ID: <199611162054.PAA269313@nss2.CC.Lehigh.EDU>

Hello Gang,

A thread went by recently about SSB on 80 meters.

I think that the way to get more participation is to participate.
Not intending to sound glib, so sorry if it comes accross that way.

I had a ball today working stations on 3.855 and near by frequencies.
I even got to brush up my French with a net in PQ. They were great
guys and helped me when I scrambled for a word. I did get a guy in
2 land to bring his QRP rig on line just to chat with me.

So the more we use that mode and band the more folks will expect
to hear someone on that band. It won't happen all at once, but
if we all try to do at least one QSO per week on 80 in SSB, we
can make a difference.

So meet me on 80 some time big boy!!

de AA1IK
Ernie

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Paul Stroud <aa4xx@amsat.org>
Subject: [4541] Ukrainian Project
Message-ID: <328DC36E.681B@amsat.org>

Hi Gang,

Many of you responded to a recent request for the donation of ham
related materials to establish a ham library in Western Ukraine. Thanks
to all who responded. Unfortunately, due to the high cost of shipping
(\$0.70/lb) we could not accommodate all the material that was offered.
We did send approximately 150 lb, including a good portion of the QST
library from present back to the 1950's. This library will be
accessable to hams throughout Ukraine by mail order. The ham club in
Lviv will manage the library.

A number of people were involved in this effort. Special thanks
go to UT5GM, WA4NID, K5FO, N8ET, W3DX, N3GO, AC4ZO, K3TKS, KU7Y, W3HMS,
The Durham FM Association (NC), and The Raleigh Amateur Radio Society
for their support of this project. Good show! Several others also
volunteered additional material. For this we thank you. If we can find
a cheaper way to ship material overseas, we may be able to make a

second run.

We'll try to get some feedback and pictures from our Ukrainian friends, which will be posted on the KnightLites Webpage as soon as it becomes available. Again, we express our sincere thanks to you all for helping to make this project possible.

72,

Paul AA4XX Raleigh, NC

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Denton Bramwell" <denton@cyber-west.com>
Subject: [4530] unsubscribe
Message-ID: <01BBD33A.540E2E40@async1_routera.cyber-west.com>

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Jeff Casey <WB5GWB@sprynet.com>
Subject: [4543] Vane humor & "LIQRP" 1st meeting??
Message-ID: <199611161453.GAA22435@m7.sprynet.com>

Gang,

First a serious question, then a bit of feeble-minded,
I-should-really-get-out-more humor to kick off the weekend.

In response to a message I posted a few weeks ago, several people have responded that they are interested in starting up an informal Long Island, NY QRP group. I envision adopting the unpretentious, no dues/no officers model followed by some of the other regional QRP groups. We'll meet at a centrally located eating establishment every month or two and take it from there.

My question for you is: What should we do at the first meeting? Someone told me that the tough thing in starting a new group is getting people to stick with it after the first meeting. Of course, we'll have informal show-and-tell and plenty of time for ragchewing. Beyond that, should there be any kind of agenda?

Should we "brainstorm" as a group about what kinds of activities people might be interested in having the group do in the future, etc? More generally, say we have 7-10 people at the first meeting, including 2,3 or 4 who are willing to help out with building the group -- What plans should we make to keep things going and build momentum??

Thanks much for any advice you can offer.

Okay, now for the humor that I know you are all eagerly anticipating :-)

A recent post seemed to indicate that hams are suing overnight mail companies for delivering their vanity callsign applications to the FCC too *soon*. I'll tell you, this is serious stuff. Can you imagine the level of frustration those hyperspeed Fedex executives must be feeling right about now?! I happen to know that those guys have been reeling, trying to adapt to all of this. I actually got a chance to see the galley proofs of their new ad campaign -- the tag-line reads:

"Fedex. When it absolutely, positively has to be held up a couple days in the back of a truck pulled off by the side of the road somewhere on the Blue Ridge Parkway in Eastern Kentucky while our dedicated courier astutely catches a few Z's with an unfolded map of Gettysburg, PA [?] covering his or her face."

(Watch for the new ad on the back cover of Jan. 97 QST.)

I'm tellin' you -- there's money in them thar hills, boys and girls! Forget about spectrum auctions ... that's just cold, calculating business ... it's peanuts. What I'm talking about here today is callsigns and *ego*!!

Here's what we propose to the FCC: Put everyone's call up for bids. Yours, mine, *everyone's*. Bid as many times as you want, on as many calls as you want. We don't care about your license class. Why, we don't even care if you *have* a license! (That is, so long as you don't plan on doing any transmitting with your new call.) Bids will be posted daily on the worldwide web. To keep everyone honest, your bid money will be held in escrow until 3 business days have elapsed without anyone posting a higher bid for the call(s) for which you bid. After that time, the call(s) (BTW, you can have as many of them as you want) are yours to use and enjoy at your leisure *or* re-sell at a tidy profit.

The potential for entrepreneurship and good deeds is limitless. Buy a call like W7BG and, when the QRP bug bites Bill Gates, sell him the call for \$2.2 billion plus stock options! Planning on doing some elmering? Pick up a couple of spares on the cheap -- nice beginner calls like WQ0YJH (!). Wrap them up and give them to your elmeres.

Two meters is off the auction block folks! If the FCC is feeling pressure to raise cash, we've got the answers right here on QRP-L!

Well, back to serious matters. Yesterday, I called ARRL and ordered the Extra Class License Manual and FCC Rule Book. I'm finally goin' for that Extra!!! Code test is in the bag -- can do it in my sleep (actually, I *was* doing it in my sleep during the last part of SS). I'd been resisting the temptation to jump on the vanity bandwagon, but all this excitement on the list about new calls has done me in. The ARRL person told me I can apply for my vanity call as soon as my new license class appears on the FCC computer (of course, I'll have to wait 5-7 years for the Fedex lawsuits to be resolved before I'll actually *get* the new call :-). Already picked out a few cool calls that appear to be available...

Okay, so maybe we should hold off on the auction thing...

How's about I develop a scheme for auctioning QRP-L numbers? The entire proceeds will go to the first person to invent a \$400 QRP transceiver kit whose receiver performance rivals that of the Ten-Tec Omni-VI.

Thanks for your indulgence.

72,
Jeff

Jeff T. Casey / WB5GWB / Long Island, NY / ARCI ARRL ARS QRP-L
EMPS QS0s>50 (been meaning to recount after SS) STATES>15 DX=0

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "W. Daniel, 9V1ZV" <daniel@pandora.lugs.org.sg>
Subject: [4540] XZ1N on 20M
Message-ID: <328d9e48.pandora@pandora.lugs.org.sg>

If you get this quick, then try 14022.5 for XZ1N. He is listening about 500Hz to 2kHz up.

73 de 9V1ZV Daniel

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| Daniel Wee | daniel@pandora.lugs.org.sg      |
| 9V1ZV      | danwee@singnet.com.sg                      |
| QRP-L #667 | daniel.wee@f516.n600.z6.fidonet.org |
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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: JessQRP@aol.com
Subject: [4549] Re: A QRP "Backpack laptop"
Message-ID: <961116122300_1749388143@emout19.mail.aol.com>

Hi,

You just reminded me that I have one of these units sitting here that I used to use for the very same thing. The batteries have been dead for about 2 months and needed to be replaced. There was an article in QST a couple of years ago on the very same idea in an issue that they talked about QRP operation. I have absolutley no idea what year or month.

Thanks for reminding me of a great idea. My organizer has a memo and expense section that I use for contacts and comments. There is a gentleman here in Colorado that has one of the HP palmtops and he had written a logging program that fits in it and a built in keyer program! The rig he uses it on is a SW30 and the radio is self contained with Nicads and a capacitive keyer on the outside of the box connected to screw heads. Then there is a plug on the side that he uses to run a small cable form the palm top to the rig for CW keyboarding. He has taken this rig to Holland on a bike trip. He has a dipole that rolls up on a toilet paper roll, his rig and computer. Neat set up! His name is Steve N0BF and this set up was written up in the Low Down for the Colorado QRP club. It is snowing here in Boulder and I don't think that I will be making the 50 mile drive to go to the club meeting today. Rats!

Best
Jess N0TFI

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Joe Gervais <vole@primenet.com>
Subject: [4533] Re: Buried Coax
Message-ID: <199611160621.XAA18527@primenet.com>

Howdy Folks,

Apparently I was the one person in the world who hadn't thought of using PVC pipe for running feedline through. :-)
Thanks to all who clued me in. I now have a nice little PVC tunnel buried beneath where my grass will go. I'm sure my wife and kids will love me all the more when I don't have to tear up the lawn to replace feedline, add control wires, etc.

Now I just have to wait for the grass sod to show up at 5am. Bleh.

Cheers de KC7NEV,

-Joe, vole@primenet.com, AZ ScQRPions

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Serge Bertruzzo <103226.3635@CompuServe.COM>
Subject: [4568] RE Century 22 - SOLD
Message-ID: <961117041306_103226.3635_IHF69-1@CompuServe.COM>

The Century 22 has been sold. Thanks 72

Serge - VA3SB

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Robert D. Haslach" <rhaslach@CapAccess.org>
Subject: [4554] Re: code on PBS
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91-FP.961116134204.17025A-100000@cap1.capaccess.org>

I think the best morse code on PBS was the theme music to the Inspector Morse series, the rhythm of which spelled out -- --- .-.

-.-. -... -... .

Regards,
Robert D. Haslach
Bye

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Scott Bauer <ke3nv@erols.com>
Subject: [4567] Re: GQRP - helical 160 meter ant
Message-ID: <199611170354.WAA15308@smtp2.erols.com>

>Date: Thu, 14 Nov 1996 10:27:22 GMT
>From: Goran Hosinsky <hosinsky@royac.iac.es>
>To: ke3nv@erols.com
>Subject: Re: GQRP - helical 160 meter ant
>Content-Md5: I15QkhHhaEr4txhftNiBGA==
>

Hi folks, looks like Goran was one step ahead of you with the fishing pole idea :-)

>Hello!
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>
>My favourite portable antenna is a inverted vee from thin, isolated wire, cut in sections
>for the different bands with miniature banana male/female plugs to select the length
>I want. Using nylon window cord as isolation between sections and at the end. This hung

>from a 6 meters telescopic fiberglass fishing pole. Using RG174 for
feedline, with the
>7-8 meters needed the losses are acceptable. Antenna and feedline fits
into my pocket,
>the telescopic pole I can bring in my hand onboard when flying (living on
this island,
>everywhere I want to go I have to fly, the boat is too expensive!). Cut for
lowest SWR at
>home I don't even bring an SWR meter.

>

>Saludos

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>Goran ea8yu (ex sm0fxa, ic8hgz)

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Fists 1502, ARCI 8804, G-QRP 8773, Nor-Cal 1094, NE 348, AR-QRP 27

Scott Bauer W3CV (formerly KE3NV, N3RQU) QRP nut SWL
CW Operators QRP Club # 484 (Australia) Grid FM-19, Odenton, MD

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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: jdenison@aisp.net (JOEL DENISON)
Subject: [4562] Re: how to unsubscribe
Message-ID: <19961116233056302.AAA162@slip7.ts-f-merrill.caps.maine.edu>

>Return-Path: <jakelee1@onslowonline.net>

>Date: Thu, 07 Nov 1996 22:33:30 -0500

>From: Peter Myers <jakelee1@onslowonline.net>

>To: jdenison@aisp.net

Hello my name is Peter KE4YUQ. I would like to stop my subscribston to
>the QRP mail. But nothing seem to work. Can u Please Help. I don't
>check my mail as much as I use to, now the server is stuck with about
>600 e-mail for me. please help and pass this to the right people. 73'
>peter

This request is from Peter Myers
jakeleel@onslowonline.net

Can someone give him the majic formula please, joel

God Bless
Joel

WA5CVM
Joel Denison
81 High street 33ft Vertical up 6ft & Inverted Vee up 40ft.
Farmington, Maine 04938 QRP ARCI 4066 NEW ENGLAND QRP 467 QRP-L 765
jdenison@aisp.net

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "Phil, AC6LS" <ac6ls@amsat.org>
Subject: [4537] re: last call for new calls
Message-ID: <328D7EC7.39BC@amsat.org>

Before there is a bottom line "LAST CALL" for updated callsigns,
I would like to bring to your attention that the FCC has run into
yet another SNAFU. There may be First day applications not yet
issued and until these are resolved, the applications that may
have showed up within the first couple of days after the opening
of gate 2, will not be processed. (yes, mine is one of these)
I refer you to the ARRL web page (under bullitens)

www.arrl.org

72 de Phil "two months is long enough" AC6LS

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Dan Keen <70731.722@CompuServe.COM>

Subject: [4545] Re: qrp-l number ?
Message-ID: <961116153437_70731.722_EHM35-1@CompuServe.COM>

> I can predict that your current QRP-L number will become available 2 yrs
> from now.....;-)
> 72 de Phil "unfortunate 'dayafter' applicant" AC6LS

Well at least I'm beginning to understand Genesis chapter 1 a little better.
Perhaps a "day" is not necessarily as long as we normally think of it being.
I guess after the lawsuit and petition resolutions then the FCC will finally
say that all is very good and then morning and evening was the first day. And
on the second day of Gate 2...

Anyhoo hats off to Mssrs. Myers and Hightower who attempted to sort out and
record all the changes...

K6DZ

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@sage.dri.edu>
Subject: [4547] Re: qrp-l number ?
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.90.961116084508.15180C-1000000@vortex.sage.dri.edu>

On 16 Nov 1996, Dan Keen wrote:

> Hey howsa 'bout if we pay \$30.00 bucks we could get a QRP-L vanity number?

Hey Chuck,

Here's another chance.....I'll collect the money and you can
issue the official QRP-L Vanity numbers.....

We can split the money later..... :-)

73, Ron,

.....KU7Y.....ARCI #8829.....Monte "Ron" Stark.....
....ku7y@sage.dri.edu.....Washoe Lake, Nevada....
....QRP-L #17...ARS #49...NorCal #330.....NRA LIFE.....

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Bill Myers <bmyers@destin.nfds.net>

Subject: [4548] Re: qrp-l number ?

Message-ID: <1.5.4.16.19961116110134.0fafa166@destin.nfds.net>

At 08:46 AM 11/16/96 -0800, Monte Stark wrote:

>On 16 Nov 1996, Dan Keen wrote:

>

>> Hey howsa 'bout if we pay \$30.00 bucks we could get a QRP-L vanity number?

>

>Hey Chuck,

>

>Here's another chance.....I'll collect the money and you can

>issue the official QRP-L Vanity numbers.....

>

>We can split the money later..... :-)

Hey Chuck....

He'll be telling you "the checks in the mail" next...

(for a percentage I'll be your collection agency)

Bill KK4KF

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996

From: "Phil, AC6LS" <ac6ls@amsat.org>

Subject: [4538] re: qrp-l vanity number??

Message-ID: <328D7FDF.2862@amsat.org>

Dan Keen wrote:

>

> Hey howsa 'bout if we pay \$30.00 bucks we could get a QRP-L vanity number?

I can predict that your current QRP-L number will become available 2 yrs
from now.....;-)

72 de Phil "unfortunate 'dayafter' applicant" AC6LS

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996

From: Bill Myers <bmyers@destin.nfds.net>

Subject: [4544] re: qrp-l vanity number??
Message-ID: <1.5.4.16.19961116092111.097f5150@destin.nfds.net>

At 01:48 AM 11/16/96 -0700, Phil, AC6LS wrote:

>Dan Keen wrote:

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>> Hey howsa 'bout if we pay \$30.00 bucks we could get a QRP-L vanity number?

>

>I can predict that your current QRP-L number will become available 2 yrs

>from now.....;-)

That's ONLY if the computer stays up.....

72/73

Bill KK4KF

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@sage.dri.edu>
Subject: [4552] Re: QRP-L Vanity Numbers
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.90.961116102302.15456B-100000@vortex.sage.dri.edu>

On Sat, 16 Nov 1996, chuck adams wrote:

> Let me stop the rumors right now, this very minute.

>

> QRP-L numbers are not for sale at any price.

Aw shucks, another brilliant idea down the drain..... :-(

cul,

73, Ron,

.....KU7Y.....ARCI #8829.....Monte "Ron" Stark.....
....ku7y@sage.dri.edu.....Washoe Lake, Nevada.....
....QRP-L #17...ARS #49...NorCal #330.....NRA LIFE.....

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: "dave" <dlockard@sprynet.com>
Subject: [4536] Re: RS scopes
Message-ID: <199611160819.AAA00023@m6.sprynet.com>

> From: Wayne Barnhart <WBarnhart@gnn.com>
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
> Subject: RS scopes
> Date: Friday, November 08, 1996 7:09 AM
>
> Thanks people for the information - I'll wait for the next model to
> come out.
>
> 73
>
> Wayne WB7WHI
> Spokane, Wa.

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: jacobsen@mail.wiscnet.net (Ed Jacobsen)
Subject: [4532] Re: Trust and a Gentleman on the List
Message-ID: <199611160557.XAA447134@gomer.wiscnet.net>

>...., but
>there is no way that the gentleman received my check before he mailed out
>the kit.
>
>What a guy! I just wanted to thank him (anonomously) for showing trust in
>his fellow QRP-L subscriber. (This is not to disparage anyone that waits
>for the check before sending the merchandise - it just reminds me of a day
>when a man's word was his bond and you would never think of going back on
>something that you had said that you would do - like buy something and sell
>something).
>
>Sorry for the rambling.
>
>73,
>
>Jim
>WB8ZBD
>dolsonj@ix.netcom.com
>

I wouldn't prize the Gentleman!

I would expect the seller to send the rig when the check arrived and before
it even reached the bank. After all, trust is two way; the buyer trusts that
the seller is telling the truth about the unseen rig, and the seller trusts
that the check is good. Either may be incorrect. The buyer may end up with a

piece of junk which would be difficult to return, or the seller with a worthless check. The one with the worthless check has the law strongly on his/her side, but the buyer not. Mutual trust is reinforced by the knowledge that cheating would probably be well publised on the next qrp-l. I'd say, "send it off". Ed

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Ed Jacobsen
4900 Dake Road
Webster WI 54893, U.S.A.
phone/fax (715)349-2761
KB9KJE

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sat Nov 16 23:11:23 1996
From: Roy Boggs <rboggs@pcc-uky.campus.mci.net>
Subject: [4561] RE: Vane humor..
Message-ID: <2.2.32.19961116214308.0067cd9c@pcc-uky.campus.mci.net>

Hi Jeff,

You wrote:

>Okay, now for the humor that I know you are all eagerly anticipating :-)
>"Fedex. When it absolutely, positively has to be held up a couple days in
>the >back of a truck pulled off by the side of the road somewhere on the
> Blue Ridge Parkway in Eastern Kentucky
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Yeah...humorous Jeff.....I drive 5 hours to Roanoke, Virginia just to get to ON Blue Ridge Parkway, then drive to Mt. Airy, North Carolina....then 5 hours back to Kentucky; we have this awesome detour here in Eastern Kentucky that takes usuh, never mind :-). I am sure you just were trying to think of the WORST place that 'Gomer' the Fedex driver could be sitting snoozing. :-)

You are one funny guy for sure!! :-)

de KE4KDT
Roy Boggs Prestonsburg, KY in Eastern KY....sorta near the Blue Ridge Pkwy :-)